



## Idaho Department of Health and Welfare Funding Announcement Homeless Service Sites and Other Congregate Living Facilities Grant Guidance and Application

### Grant Announcement for Homeless Service Sites in Idaho:

The Department of Health and Welfare (DHW), Division of Public Health has a grant opportunity for Idaho organizations serving people experiencing homelessness to support SARS-CoV-2 testing and mitigation activities. This funding opportunity is possible through the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC) Project E: Emerging Issues Award through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) made available through the American Rescue Plan Act 2021. A total of \$447,309 is available to Idaho organizations serving people experiencing homelessness to provide financial support for personnel costs, testing, supplies, equipment, and services (e.g., wraparound support for isolation/quarantine) to help stop the spread of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19.

The funds can be used to cover expenses incurred between the date a subgrant is executed between DHW and the Idaho organization serving people experiencing homelessness through July 31, 2024. Funding will be by reimbursement format in accordance with state finance and accounting requirements. Indirect costs must be kept to a minimum and may not exceed 10%. The funding guidance and application will be posted on the website <https://coronavirus.idaho.gov/idaho-resources/>, under the “Resources” tab, from August 23 through September 23, 2022.

Application must be received by 11:59 p.m. MDT on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Email completed application to [EpiMail@dhw.idaho.gov](mailto:EpiMail@dhw.idaho.gov).

### Eligibility:

- Organization must have a Unique Entity ID (UEI) assigned by System for Award Management (SAM.gov) to receive federal funds.
- Organization must be serving people experiencing homelessness.

### Funding Information:

- A subgrant will be created by the Department to outline the terms and conditions of the funding and reimbursement requirements.
- Allowable expenses must be submitted for reimbursement along with the required documentation to demonstrate proof of payment by organization.
  - a. Recipients will be required to report inventory of equipment provided by this funding through the life of the grant. Monitoring of equipment purchased will be required to assure equipment is housed, maintained, and used as intended.

- Funding will cover allowable expenses through July 31, 2024.
- The format of requested reports will be negotiated with each recipient and based on the application submitted.
  - a. Reporting requirements vary and are dependent on how the funds are spent.
- To be eligible, applicants must provide the unique entity identifier (UEID) number with application or a statement affirming it will be provided prior to the grant award and must provide proof of registration with the System for Award Management (SAM.gov) to receive federal dollars.

#### Allowable Funding Expenses:

- Personnel designated staff to manage COVID-19 testing and mitigation programs.
- Personnel costs for existing staff which may include bonuses and/or pay increases incurred during the contract period.
- Collection supplies, test kits, and other necessary supplies for existing and new screening, testing, or onboarding platforms to support testing.
- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for collecting samples and/or conductive testing.
- Supplies needed for prevention strategies at homeless service sites or encampments, such as handwashing stations or supplies, hand sanitizer, or masks.
- Contracts with entities that may provide all or part of the testing needs.
- Wrap-around services (e.g., hoteling, food, laundry, mental health services, etc.) for those who test positive.
- Expenses associated with outreach and assistance.

#### Organization Application Requirements:

- Submission of the completed application.
- If the organization does not have a UEID number, the applicant must request it prior to submitting the application. Please visit <https://sam.gov/content/entity-registration> for instructions.
- In return for financial assistance, the organization must collaborate with the DHW to on the following elements as appropriate to the organization:
  - a. developing a testing plan
  - b. developing a plan to exchange testing data (i.e., number of tests performed, number of positive tests, number of negative tests)
  - c. reporting SARS-CoV-2 test results to the Department in accordance with the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act
  - d. engaging with the BCDP Healthcare Associated Infections (HAI) Program for any infectious disease transmission prevention needs
  - e. sharing housing status-based information on clients served with the DHW.

Approval Process:

- Applications will be reviewed for completeness.
- Applications will be scored based on responses outlined in the Application Requirements section, above.
- Notification letters will be sent by e-mail to applicants within fifteen (15) calendar days to notify them of the award amount.
- The organization has thirty (30) calendar days upon receipt of the notification letter to provide a detailed and complete budget on how they will utilize the funding.
- A Subgrant will be created with the terms and conditions of the funding and will be effective once signatures are obtained from the designated organization representative and an authorized official at the Department of Health and Welfare.

Unallowable expenses:

- Construction
- Providing clinical care or medication to individuals who test positive
- Conducting research
- Vaccine administration



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**APPLICATION**

**All fields are required.**

Name of Organization:

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

UEID Requested:

Project Contact Name:

Project Contact Phone:

Project Contact Email:

Preferred Method of Contact:  Phone  E-mail  No preference

Brief description of how your organization currently supports people experiencing homelessness (Max length 0.5 page):



Brief ***estimated*** budget and explanation on how you will spend the funding using any of the categories listed under the allowable funding expenses (Max length 0.5 page):